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1. The Bill would create a Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government to, in general terms, reduce expenditure of the Executive Branch and consolidate and eliminate its functions. The Commission would be directed to "conduct a continuing study and investigation of the organization and methods of operation of "the Executive Branch to determine changes necessary to accomplish the foregoing. For this purpose, the Commission, hold hearings, administer oaths and require, by Subpoena or otherwise, the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the production of records. It may "secure directly from" the executive departments and branches "information, suggestions, estimates and statistics for the purposes of this Act" and each department and agency is "authorized and directed to furnish "the same, upon request.

2. The Commission apparently would be not unlike the Hoover Commission and doubtless we could live with it if we had to. Nevertheless it would once more cause us to determine whether we would furnish information and, if so, to what extent and under what circumstances.

3. Possibly we could not have an exception for CIA written in. Nevertheless, suggest the Legislative Counsel follow the Bill, with the view to enabling CIA to decide whether to request such an exception.

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